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Embassy representative when he calls on Bao Dai 28th should tell him:

1. We are conveying our views urgently to French on 28th. We feel necessary have French assurances and cooperation to ensure success of government of Vietnam.

2. After Embassy representative at Cannes is informed by Embassy Paris that Deptel 3828 has been outlined to French and that they concur, and Embassy has proceeded to transmit to French substance of Deptel 3829, only then Embassy representative should convey gist of both telegrams to Bao Dai. In doing so he should omit any reference appearing to indicate a minimizing of Bao Dai's role. Regarding steps outlined Deptel 3829 he should not refer to Quat and Do by name. Main emphasis should be on our views of government structure.

3. Inform Bao Dai Collins arriving Saigon either May 1st or 2nd. We hope Bao Dai will refrain from irrevocable action until after General Collins presence Saigon permits further urgent consideration of the problem.

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